BUILDING BUZZ

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The Building Buzz is a monthly bulletin intended to highlight key happenings at the NSSC. For up-to-date information, check out the NSSC Employee Homepage at internal.nssc.nasa.gov. Submit your department milestones to NSSC-CUST-SAT-and-COMM@nasa.gov.

NSSC Places 6th in AIM Day NIKS Competition

On November 1, the NSSC participated in the NASA Innovation Kick Start competition. Narrowed down from nearly 90 submissions, 17 proposals were showcased on AIM Day. Out of those 17, 13 ideas stood out and will receive funding to further develop these innovations. The NSSC was impressively one of those 13.

Jim Walker, with support from Anita Harrell and Kevin Poe, developed a concept to support repetitive transactional tasks here at the NSSC. Robotic Process Automation (RPA) is a transformative opportunity to reinvent old processes, create

new products and extend the life of current NASA applications. RPA uses "bots," which will allow employees the opportunity to make more impacts using their brains, as opposed to their fingers. The freedom of innovation can be returned while the bots take over tedious work.

Congratulations, Jim and team! Job well done.



Upcoming Events

1:00 pm Tree Lighting 12/1 Holiday Party 12/7 11:00 am Ask the NSSC 12/8 1:00 pm Retirement Planning Books are Fun 12/16 9:00 am



Farewell, Mark!

The NSSC will soon say goodbye to Procurement Officer Mark Chadwick. After 10 years at NASA, all here at the NSSC, Mark is planning to retire in December. In his new free time, Mr. Chadwick plans to spend more of his days on the links playing golf, travelling, working around his house and spending more time with his two German Shepherds, Luka and Strudel.

Best wishes, Mark!



It's not too late to help the NSSC reach its goal of \$15,000.00. The current amount donated is \$7,394.14. CFC donations are accepted through December 15th. Contact Theresa Stanley with any questions at

theresa.m.stanley@nasa.gov or 3-6196.